House Resolution No. 3035

Whereas, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Stockton R-I School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 21, 2003, with the retirement of Susie Stafford, who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Susie Stafford has taught for more than twenty-five years at Stockton R-I, where she is held in high esteem as a former junior high school English teacher and in her current position as a high school social studies teacher; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Susie Stafford has served as a substitute teacher for six years, Sponsor of the Scholar Bowl, President of the Community Teachers Association, first Chair of the Professional Development Committee and the Career Ladder Committee, Social Studies Chair, and as a sponsor for the junior-senior class and prom; and

Whereas, Susie Stafford has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Susie Stafford has also enjoyed recognition as a member of United Methodist Women, the RSVP Group, PEO Chapter LD, and the Cedar County Republican Women; and

Whereas, Susie Stafford has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband of thirty-four years, Dale; two sons, Matt and Adam; one daughter-in-law, Christy; and two grandchildren, Geoffrey and Katie:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Stockton R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Susie Stafford has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Susie Stafford, as a measure of our esteem for her.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3035, adopted May 20, 2003.